



City Council Building  
Chattanooga, Tennessee  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
March 22, 2016  
6:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER**

Council Chairwoman Carol Berz called the meeting to order with Vice Chair Moses Freeman and Council members Chris Anderson, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem, Chip Henderson, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith all present. Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett and Council Clerk Nicole Gwyn, CMC, were also present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Grohn led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. He also read II-Corinthians 7 of the Bible before leading the invocation.

**APPROVAL OF LAST MINUTES**

**On motion of Councilman Anderson** and seconded by Councilman Smith, the minutes of the last meeting (March 15, 2016) were approved as published.

**ORDINANCES – FINAL READING: (NONE)**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING: (NONE)**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Vice Chair Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

**RESOLUTION #28557**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO CONTRACT WITH NATIONWIDE RECOVERY SERVICE TO PROVIDE COLLECTION AGENCY SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

**RESOLUTION #28558**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AND MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NORTH CHICKAMAUGA CREEK CONSERVANCY, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM ATTACHED, FOR THE LEASE AND MANAGEMENT OF A COMMUNITY GARDEN AT GREENWAY FARMS PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN AT 5051 GANN STORE ROAD, A PORTION OF TAX PARCEL NO. 110-021, FOR A TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR, WITH THE OPTION TO EXTEND UP TO FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR TERMS.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Vice Chair Freeman and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

**RESOLUTION #28559**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARIA PRICE AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Anderson,

**RESOLUTION #28560**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MURIEL MILLER AS A SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER (UNARMED) FOR THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE TO DO SPECIAL DUTY AS PRESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

**RESOLUTION #28561**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY FINANCE OFFICER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH HENDERSON, HUTCHERSON & MCCULLOUGH, PLLC RELATING TO EXTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$128,010.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Henderson,

**RESOLUTION #28562**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT NO. C-16-002-501 WITH DONNA FAYE GILBERT FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6012 MILL ROAD, CHATTANOOGA, TN, TO BE USED AS A FILL SITE FOR PUBLIC WORKS EXCESS SOIL AND FILL.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Grohn and seconded by Councilman Smith,

**RESOLUTION #28563**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE CHATTANOOGA RADIO CONTROL CLUB FOR ASPHALT AND PAVING THE RADIO CONTROL FLYER RUNWAY AT SUMMIT LANDFILL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Anderson and seconded by Vice Chair Freeman,

**RESOLUTION #28564**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW, FOR A RENEWAL TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR, MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH MAY 1, 2016, FOR THE ACCESS RAMP AGREEMENT WITH THE RIVER CITY DUCKS, LLC.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

On motion of Councilman Hakeem and seconded by Councilman Gilbert,

**RESOLUTION #28565**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO AMEND AN AGREEMENT WITH HARTMAN WALSH INDUSTRIAL SERVICE RELATIVE TO CONTRACT NO. E-03-007-201, FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE REHABILITATION OF THE WILCOX TUNNEL, FOR AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$101,996.00, FOR A REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,438,737.00.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED**

The following agenda item was read:

*A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement to Exercise Option to Renew between the City of Chattanooga and Tennessee River Soccer Company d/b/a the North River Soccer Association, subject to the use agreement, the property located at 4500 Access Road South of the Norfolk Southern right-of-way, Tax Map No. 119H-A-003.01, for an additional one (1) year term, with four (4) remaining options to renew.*

**Councilman Smith moved** to amend to change the term to two (2) years with three (3) remaining options. Councilman Mitchell seconded. The motion to amend carried.

**Councilman Smith moved** to adopt the amended resolution, seconded by Councilman Mitchell. The motion carried.

### RESOLUTION #28566

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT TO EXERCISE OPTION TO RENEW BETWEEN THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA AND TENNESSEE RIVER SOCCER COMPANY D/B/A THE NORTH RIVER SOCCER ASSOCIATION, SUBJECT TO THE USE AGREEMENT, THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4500 ACCESS ROAD SOUTH OF THE NORFOLK SOUTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY, TAX MAP NO. 119H-A-003.01, FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO (2) YEARS, WITH THREE (3) REMAINING OPTIONS TO RENEW.**

**ACTION: ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

### DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

#### Youth & Family Development

Lurone “Coach” Jennings, Administrator, presented highlights and updates from the divisions of YFD. His presentation included information on the five divisions of YFD: Education, Leadership, Career Development, Recreation and Social Services. *(Full presentation is attached.)*

Councilman Gilbert asked Mr. Jennings to provide him a list of YFD’s services and programs so that he may pass it along to constituents. He also asked for a list of services that are available online. Mr. Jennings agreed to both requests. Councilman Gilbert indicated that he would give Mr. Jennings the information for sending the lists.

#### Purchases

David Carmody, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, briefed the Council on the following purchases:

**R130015 - Public Works** Estimated \$160,000 Annually  
New Blanket Contract for Emulsified Asphalt  
Lowest/Best Bidder: Hudson Materials  
1615 Sholar Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37406

**R130358 - Public Works**

Estimated \$750,000 Each Annually

Two New Blanket Contracts for Electrical Services

Lowest/Best Bidders:

1. Tri State Electrical Contractors, LLC  
4701 Wilson Road, Bldg A, Chattanooga, TN 37410
2. Nabco Electric Company, Inc.  
2800 2nd Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37407

**R71835 - Public Works**

Estimated \$54,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Front End

Loader Services

Lowest/Best Bidder: Republic Services of Chattanooga  
1018 E. 38th Street, Chattanooga, TN 37407

**R55319; 514931 - Police Department**

Estimated \$50,000 Annually

Blanket Contract Renewal for Police Ammunition

Lowest/Best Bidder: Gulf States Distributors, Inc.  
6000 E. Shirley Lane, Montgomery, AL 36117

**R131311 - General Services**

Estimated \$30,000 Annually

New Blanket Contracts for Peterbilt OEM

Parts and Service

Lowest/Best Bidder: The Peterbilt Store  
21 Candy Lane, Ringgold, GA 30736

**Councilman Anderson moved** to approve, seconded by Councilman Grohn. The motion carried.

**ACTION: APPROVED**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Strategic Planning Agenda Items (2)**

Councilman Gilbert asked I.T. for an update on the cameras for YFD centers. He also requested an update on the Shallowford Road ditch and flooding concerns related to the property of his constituent, Ms. Brown. Chairwoman Berz assigned both items to the Strategic Planning meeting at 1:30 p.m. next week (March 29).

**Easter @ Coolidge Park**

Councilman Grohn invited the public to the “8<sup>th</sup> Annual Easter at Coolidge Park” event, sponsored by two churches, Stuart Heights and Mt. Canaan, on this Sunday, March 27, at 9:00 a.m. He indicated that both churches were striving to be more diverse in their Easter celebrations. He also noted that shuttles would be available to the park.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### *Audit & I.T. Committee*

Councilman Grohn

(No report)

- He expressed thanks to Mr. Jennings for all that YFD does for young people.

### *Budget and Finance Committee*

Councilman Mitchell

(No report)

### *Economic and Community Development Committee*

Councilman Anderson

- The committee will meet next week (March 29) to discuss illegal tire dumping. The committee will hear from representatives from the Land Development Office and the City Attorney's Office.

### *HR Committee (Human Resources)*

Vice Chair Freeman

(No report)

### *Planning & Zoning*

Councilman Hakeem

(No report)

### *Public Safety Committee*

Councilman Henderson

- The committee held a 7-member panel discussion today on crime and safety, specifically on the VRI. As a result of that meeting, the Council has subpoenaed District Attorney General Neal Pinkston to appear before the committee next week.

### *Public Works and Transportation Committee*

Councilman Smith

- The committee will meet next week (March 29) to discuss agenda items and to hear a presentation from CARTA. He indicated that this meeting would be tentative, pending the needs of the Public Safety Committee next week, and indicated that CARTA would be amicable to that.
- He thanked Councilman Smith for hearing the illegal tire dumping matter in Economic and Community Development meeting next week.

### *Youth and Family Development Committee*

Councilman Gilbert

(No report)

- He thanked Mr. Jennings for the report provided to the Council earlier.

## **RECOGNITION OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL (Non-Agenda Items)**

Chairwoman Berz asked if there were any persons wishing to address the Council on non-agenda matters. Seeing none, this portion of the agenda was closed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**On motion of Councilman Anderson**, Chairwoman Berz adjourned the meeting of the Chattanooga City Council until Tuesday, March 29, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

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**CHAIRWOMAN**

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**CLERK OF COUNCIL**

Attachment: Youth and Family Development Presentation

# Department of Youth and Family Development Highlights and Achievements



Administrator  
Lurone “Coach” Jennings, Sr.



**YOUTH & FAMILY  
DEVELOPMENT**

**Smarter Students  
And  
Stronger Families**



# Five Divisions of YFD



**Education**



**Leadership**



**Career Development**



**Recreation**



**Social Services**

The Department of Youth and Family Development's top priority is providing a better quality of life for the citizens of Chattanooga, through education, leadership, career development, recreation and career social services. Chattanooga YFD offers a large variety of programs, activities, classes, and opportunities for youth, adults and seniors at numerous locations all across Chattanooga.

## – OUR MISSION STATEMENT –

The mission of the Department of Youth and Family Development is to provide educational, recreational, career development, leadership, and social service opportunities to create smarter students and stronger families.

# Education Division

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TIME!

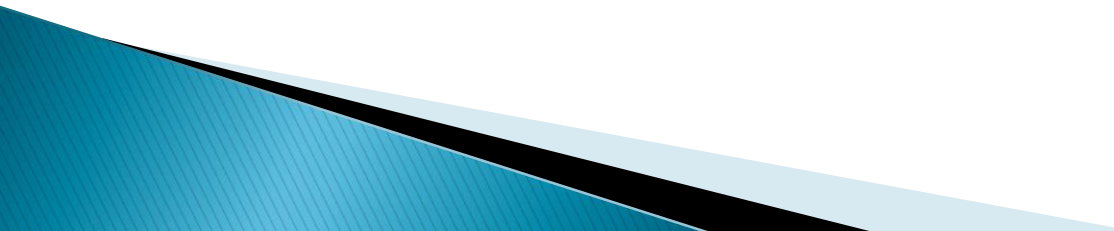


Enhancing the minds of youth through exceptional programs that embrace literacy, early childhood development and cultural influence through staff and partners. Programs include: Lexia Literacy Programs, Homework Help, The Arts, Technology Training and more.

**Jason McKinney, Deputy Administrator**

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#SmarterStudents  
#Lexia

# Education Division – Highlights

- ▶ 18 of our Youth and Family Development (YFD) centers are up and running on the Lexia reading and development program.
  - ▶ 1500 students utilizing Lexia at YFD centers, Head Start classrooms, Faith-based institutions, and schools.
  - ▶ 16 academic coaches are providing afterschool support and programming at our YFD centers
  - ▶ 75 families receiving weekly services with Baby University.
  - ▶ 53 volunteers have signed up for the Tech Goes Home class. For volunteers who complete this training, a Chrome Notebook computer will be made available to them to purchase for \$50.00.
  - ▶ Currently conducting our annual book drive. Our goal is to collect over 8000 books.
  - ▶ FAFSA (Free Application to Federal Student Aid) workshops were provided to improve the amount of students applying, which improves the post-secondary rate.
  - ▶ STEAM lab is providing programming in the 5 key areas: Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. We have a model teacher from CDM on site 6 hours per week.
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# Leadership Division

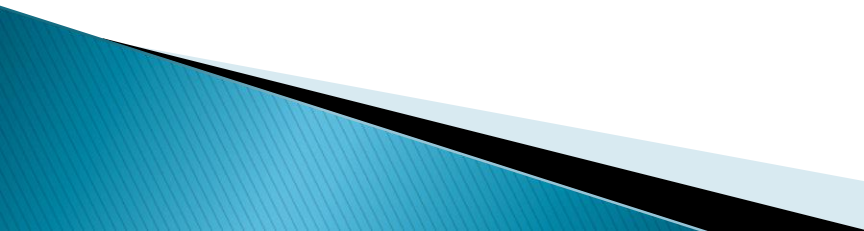


Creating tomorrow's leaders through character development, mentoring, core values, good decision making, developmental assets, and internship opportunities with continued community support. YFD is also proud to offer the Chattanooga Ambassadors Program (CAP), developing tomorrow's leaders.

## Gary Rudolph, Leadership Development Coordinator

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#LeadershipCHA  
#SmarterStudents  
#CAPS

## Leadership Division – Highlights

- ▶ CAP Initiatives –
    - City Ambassadors
    - CAP Interns/Next In Line
    - CAP Volunteers
    - CAP Spring Training – Life Skills
    - CAP Youth Advisory Team (YFD Centers)
  - ▶ Generation three CAP boys just placed at work sites last week to start Work Experience Training.
  - ▶ CAP Girls Signing Day hosted at the Edney building on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.
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# Career Development Division



## My NEXT STEP

"Breaking the cycle from survival to success"

- People Skills
- Dress for Success
- Self Management Skills
- Work Ethics
- Career action plan

501 W. 12th St. Chattanooga, TN 37402

To schedule or attend classes contact:  
**Dr. David Banks - Director of Career Development**  
423-643-6804  
dbanks@chattanooga.gov



Providing opportunity through job training, referrals, community service, entrepreneurship, and internships so that all citizens can achieve personal goals.

## David Banks, Career Development

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#JobsCHA

# Career Development Division – Highlights

- ▶ Working with area employers and creating partnerships to promote job growth.
- ▶ My Next STEP (3 hour course with four objectives):
  - Foundational principles to break the cycle from survival to self sufficiency
  - Soft skills- Interview skills, resume, how to get and keep employment
  - People's skills
  - Create a plan to stay productive after the class
- ▶ Partnered with these organizations and companies
  - Social Services
  - Labor Ready
  - Command Center
  - Convergys
  - Chattanooga State
  - Chamber of Commerce
  - Smart Bank
  - Urban League
  - Loving Hands- Robin Davis
  - Cleaning Solution-Velma Wilson
  - College Hills Courts
- ▶ Collaborated with these organizations to teach My Next STEP
  - Teen Challenge
  - Family Promise
  - Career Center
  - Northside Neighborhood Housing
- **75 participants have taken the course**
- **40% have found employment**
- **60% are aggressive preparing themselves for employment (Job search, Staffing agencies, taking care of personal issues)**

# Recreation Division



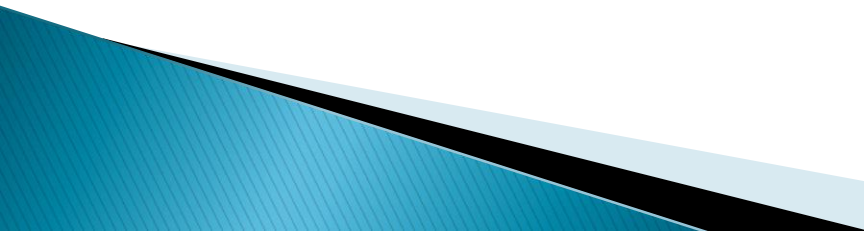
Providing diverse, recreation and leisure opportunities that build character development, through camps, tournaments, aquatics, fitness and wellness classes, Therapeutic Recreation and sports leagues for all ages and abilities in safe, well maintained environments. Recreation is proud to offer state of the art facilities including the Summit of Softball, Warner Park, Champions Club and Warner Park Pool and Spray Park.

## Greta Hayes, Director of Recreation

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#SportsCHA  
#SmarterStudents  
#RecreationCHA



# Recreation Division – Highlights

- ▶ Over 222,000 meals served at our year round after school meals program. This program will allow us to reach more children who may not have access to healthy meals and ensure they are fed.
  - ▶ We have had over 90 teams with 750+ youth participate in our youth basketball leagues this season.
  - ▶ CPR/AED Training completed for all Recreation staff.
  - ▶ This year we will be offering free kids summer development camp at all YFD Center, for iZone School students and also free or reduced lunch status.
  - ▶ Developing a performance measurements model for YFD Centers.
  - ▶ MTAS training with program staff administration to strengthen administrative operations and policy.
  - ▶ Division wide evaluation of employees needs to make sure we have the appropriate number of qualified staff at each location.
  - ▶ RecTrac is currently in the implementation process for remaining YFD locations. Along with upgrade of web-based systems.
  - ▶ Hosted Deco Turf tennis tournament this past weekend at Champion's club.
  - ▶ Hosted 140 team volleyball tournament this past weekend at the trade center.
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# Social Services Division



Wrap around crisis assistance and support services to low income and vulnerable residents of Chattanooga and Hamilton County through education programs, commodities, partners, and counseling. Programs include Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP), Community Service Block Grant (CSBG), Foster Grandparent Program, and more.

**Donna Stone, Deputy Administrator**

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#LIHEAPCHA

## Social Services Division - Highlights

- ▶ 40 families and with our Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). \$16,650 in funds have been extended to families approved through LIHEAP for January.
  - ▶ Social Services division to create reading nook waiting area. The area will be accessible to be used by children and parents who are waiting to be seen by caseworkers.
  - ▶ We are currently serving 622 Head Start and 376 Early Head Start students.
  - ▶ Will host monthly job fairs for our Employment participants. We look forward to helping many of our clients secure employment.
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# PEP Talk: Parent Education Programming

YFD hosts a weekly radio show called PEP Talk with Lurone “Coach” Jennings and Nori Nori: Parent Education Programming on 93.5 FM every Monday at 7pm. The purpose of the show is to share Mayor Berke’s vision, inform citizens, and encourage participation to make our city better. We discuss issues and offer solutions that impact the community. PEP Talk focuses on topics including, education, jobs, health, public safety, and community awareness. Weekly, we invite City officials, community partners and other leaders to come and highlight local accomplishments going on in their area and/or department. This show is also geared towards smarter students, safer streets, and growing economy in the City of Chattanooga. We invite all department heads and their employees to come on the show and explain all the great things that your department is doing every day. This show is a great way to market new programs, events, recognize employees and pass on other general information to the public.

## Mayor Berke’s Vision & Areas of Focus

1. Safer Streets
2. Smarter Students
3. Growing Economy
4. Stronger Families and Neighborhoods
5. High Performance Government


*“Everybody Needs One”*



**Catch  
PEP  
Talk  
With**

Lurone **“Coach”** Jennings  
& Nori - Nori  
Every Monday 7pm - 8pm on

**GROOVE93**  
93.5 FM  
**WMPZ**



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# PEP Talk: Parent Education Programming

